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In re application of : **Confirmation No. 2869**  
Takuya WATANABE et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2004\_0003  
Serial No. 10/771,417 : Group Art Unit 1647  
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NOVEL G PROTEIN COUPLED : **Mail Stop: Amendment**  
RECEPTOR PROTEIN, DNA AND ITS  
LIGAND

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated January 10, 2006, Applicants hereby elect the invention identified as Group II (claims 1-4, 7-9 and 17-18).

Upon allowance of the elected claims, the Examiner is requested to consider the possibility of rejoinder per M.P.E.P. § 821.04.

Favorable action on the merits is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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